<u>Existing law</u> provides that the LSU Board of Supervisors, the LSU Medical Center, or the health care services division of the medical center may only enter into a joint venture or contract for the management of any hospital or hospitals if certain conditions are met, including legislative approval.

<u>New law</u> specifies that <u>existing law</u> shall not be construed to require legislative approval for any joint venture or contract entered into by the board, medical center, or division for the management of any part or service of a hospital.

Existing law requires the LSU Medical Center, through its chancellor, to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Tulane University Medical Center through its chancellor and the secretary of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) for the administration of the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans through an administrative board.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that the cooperative endeavor agreement should mandate that Tulane and LSU medical centers select a private third-party manager to perform the day-to-day management of Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans. Stipulated that the third-party manager be a 501(3)(c) not-for-profit corporation that had been in existence for more than five years. <u>Further</u> provided for the selection of the third party, representation of the third-party manager on the administrative board, and resolution of disputes involving selection of the third party.

New law deletes prior law.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 9, 1999).

(Amends R.S. 17:1519.6; Adds R.S. 17:1519.3(C)(8))